

Larimar Therapeutics Announces Issuance of U.S. Patent Providing Composition of Matter Protection for CTI-1601

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Patent extends Larimar's intellectual property protection for CTI-1601 into at least July 2040

BALA CYNWYD, Pa., Oct. 20, 2022 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Larimar Therapeutics, Inc. ("Larimar") (Nasdaq: LRMR), a clinical-stage biotechnology company focused on developing treatments for complex rare diseases, today announced the issuance of U.S. Patent No. 11,459,363. The patent, titled, "Materials and Methods for Treating Friedreich's Ataxia," provides composition of matter protection for CTI-1601 into at least July 2040. Larimar has an exclusive license to the patent per a prior agreement with Indiana University.

"This new patent represents a foundational component of our intellectual property portfolio, as it extends our patent protection for CTI-1601 by more than fourteen years," said Carole Ben-Maimon, MD, President and Chief Executive Officer of Larimar. "It also highlights the novelty of CTI-1601, which has been elegantly designed to address the root cause of Friedreich's ataxia by delivering mature frataxin to the mitochondria. We look forward to CTI-1601's continued development and remain on track to initiate a Phase 2 trial later this year."

In addition to, and independent of, patent protection, CTI-1601 should be eligible for seven years of orphan drug exclusivity and twelve years of reference product data exclusivity in the U.S. upon U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approval and ten years of orphan drug and market exclusivity in the European Union upon European Medicines Agency marketing authorization.

About CTI-1601

CTI-1601 is a recombinant fusion protein intended to deliver human frataxin to the mitochondria of patients with Friedreich's ataxia who are unable to produce enough of this essential protein. CTI-1601 has been granted Rare Pediatric Disease designation, Fast Track designation and Orphan Drug designation by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Orphan Drug Designation by the European Commission, and a PRIME designation by the European Medicines Agency.

About Larimar Therapeutics

Larimar Therapeutics, Inc. (Nasdaq: LRMR), is a clinical-stage biotechnology company focused on developing treatments for complex rare diseases. Larimar's lead compound, CTI-1601, is being developed as a potential treatment for Friedreich's ataxia. Larimar also plans to use its intracellular delivery platform to design other fusion proteins to target additional rare diseases characterized by deficiencies in intracellular bioactive compounds. For more information, please visit: https://larimartx.com.

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